

LEGISLATURE APPROPRIATING NINE MILLIONS

Appropriations thus far proposed in the House of Representatives amount to \$8,941,000, against a probable current revenue of four million for the biennial period. And the Senate makes a fair second with proposals for \$7,623,146. How much these sums may be duplication of each other is not learned. Chairman Rice of the Finance Committee gave out the figures as above stated just before adjournment as noon today.

Towse tried a joke on the House, when the bill to define the city limits of Hilo was about to be voted on. He sent up an amendment to insert after the description given the words, "and 25,000 feet into the air from any point within the metes and bounds herein indicated, for the purpose of controlling aerial navigation and the height of buildings within said city of Hilo."

Speaker Holstein ignored the amendment with a look of pain and called the vote on passing the bill.

Affonso, father of the bill, interjected that he was about to move that the amendment and its mover both be laid on the table.

A fair amount of business was done this morning without much talk on anything, although the gag was two or three times applied in the form of the previous question moved by Affonso.

Sheldon warmed up a bit over Cooke's objection to his Waimea park bill, that the description of the land was inadequate. He was further worried by a large number reserving their votes on the first call, but in the end Cooke threw the sole negative vote against it.

Coney wanted the members of the health and police committee excused this afternoon to meet with the Board of Health. The Speaker quoted the rule against committee meetings while the House was in session, and as not much unfinished business was in sight the House took recess until 10 o'clock tomorrow.

No wholesale inquiry.

The House committee on Accounts and Public Expenditures threw up its hands on the contract given to it by a resolution, to make a financial investigation of all the departments of the government. After consultation with L. C. Ables, who has for many years made such investigations on behalf of mem-

bers of the Legislature, the investigation is "satisfied that an investigation along the lines laid down by the resolution is not practical owing to the fact that it would necessitate the employment of a force of accountants and would require more than the entire sixty days of the session to accomplish the work." The committee intimated that it would take up any specific investigation desired by any member.

Hall Preservation.

Representative Huddy came up again with the sacred cause of preserving the hall of the House of Representatives, historically "the throne room," inviolate for the use of this branch of the Legislature, with exceptions of state receptions and addresses. This time he put the matter in the form of a House resolution simply.

Speaker Holstein sent it to the table until the House learns of the disposition the Senate has made of the same matter.

Death for Deer.

Cooke introduced a bill to repeal Act 148, S. L. of 1909, relating to game. The law sought to be repealed makes a close season for wild deer.

Second Reading.

This morning the House passed the following bills on second reading:

Coney's bill to amend the law relating to certificates of marriage, with amendment by Judiciary committee.

Coney's bill to amend the law relating to embezzlement, with amendment by Judiciary committee.

Third Reading.

The following bills passed third reading this morning:

Amending the County Act in relation to deputy sheriffs, with an amendment by Kellinot making the Waialua deputy the deputy of the county of Maui.

Fixing interest on homestead deferred payments.

Amending the law relating to district magistrates. An amendment by Kellinot to give the power of appointment and removal to the boards of supervisors instead of the Chief Justice.

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HOLSTEIN SUGGESTS SELLING HONOLULU PUBLIC WATER WORKS

"Appropriations demanded of this legislature," said Speaker H. L. Holstein of the house of representatives this morning, "will amount to about four and a half millions of dollars. There are only about three millions of dollars available, as far as I can see, and what I'd like to know is how we are going to raise the required funds."

"I make it merely as a suggestion, not having come to any favorable opinion concerning the idea, myself, but how would it be to sell the Honolulu waterworks, say at an upset price of a million dollars? Perhaps somebody has a better suggestion, but I would like to hear the selling of the Honolulu water works discussed. We hands, is the question."

LABOR IN CUBA, LOUISIANA ARGENTINE AND CANARY ISLANDS

In regard to Cuban and other labor conditions, Dr. Victor Clark, of the board of immigration, today had the following interesting remarks to make: "The Cuban crop, it was estimated when I was there, would be about 20 per cent short on account of the drought. The cane was much smaller than usual, and the laborers were paid by piecework, so much a ton for cutting and loading. Therefore, they were not able to earn the usual wages."

"The prices of many provisions were quite as high as they are in Hawaii, though on account of the greater amount of small farming in Cuba, there are plenty of local supplies of vegetables and fruits. Thus the plantation laborers are enabled to economize by purchasing these things from the farmers direct instead of from the stores. This makes the laborers in Cuba much more contented, and it gives them a greater variety of diet."

"There were more Spanish laborers in Cuba during the present season than could find work—in certain districts—this was not general throughout the island. The anxiety of immigrants to get away from Spain to Cuba is very great. One steamship line reported that it had ejected at two or three ports on a single trip to one ship, more than 600 stowaways, who were trying to get to Cuba. "In Louisiana I found that the Italian laborers were leaving the plantations. It was estimated that only about one-fourth as many Italians were employed as was the case five years ago. The Italian labor agent whom I saw informed me that it would be useless to attempt to settle Italian laborers on the Hawaiian plantations. "I have also been in correspondence with the authorities in the Argentine, and I learned that the Spaniards are considered more permanent settlers than the Italians. The Italians after remaining a few years and shifting from place to place in search of higher wages, go back to Italy, while the Spaniards in the Argentine take up land and become permanent settlers. There is reported to be considerable distress in the Canary Islands on account of the succession of poor crops, and a great many Canary Islanders would like to immigrate but they have not the means to do so. They make good laborers in Cuba, and are employed on both sugar and tobacco plantations."

\$2 A DAY IS KILLED KUKUI NUTS HAVE VALUE

The Senate passed four bills on third reading this morning, in quick and dignified manner. They are House Bill 4, providing for the repair of the Judiciary building; House Bill 27, amending the election laws; House Bill 78, the appointment of a commission looking to the uniformity of legislation in the United States; and Senate Bill 45, having to do with the general powers and liabilities of counties.

Consideration of House Bill 64, enforcement of delinquent taxes, upon third reading, was deferred till Friday.

The two dollar a day minimum government laborer's wage bill was reconsidered and killed.

Senator Fairchild made a statement to the effect that Senate appropriation bills covered \$7,623,146, while House appropriation bills amounted to \$8,941,014.

Appropriation acts which have become law are Senate bills 1 and 24, totalling \$25,000, and House bills 1, 14 and 35, totalling \$61,000, making in all \$86,000.

A motion to reject the bill which seeks to give free water to all religious institutions was lost and the bill was referred to the ways and means committee.

Cecil Brown declared that if free water was given to one institution, religious or otherwise, there would be no end to the demands for free water. When the Senate had adjourned, President Knudsen stated that he had a communication from the House challenging the Senate to a game of baseball on March 11 for the benefit of the leper settlement. He referred it to Chillingworth and appointed him captain of the Senate team.

Senate adjourned until 10:30 tomorrow morning, the latter hour being time would be good for oil."

TROOPS MOVING FAST TO THE MEXICAN LINE

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

WASHINGTON, March 8.—The mobilization of the army is proceeding rapidly. There are practically 20,000 troops moving towards the Mexican border.

Bound for San Diego. SEATTLE, March 8.—Four hundred marines are leaving here for San Diego. The cruiser West Virginia is coaling for the same destination.

Torpedo Flotilla to Move. MARE ISLAND, March 8.—The cruisers Cincinnati and Raleigh have been ordered into commission.

Says Bryce Is Uninstructed.

LONDON, March 8.—Great interest is shown here in the movements of the American troops. The Foreign Office says that Ambassador Bryce has had no instructions in the matter.

BALDWIN ESTATE WINS. LOS ANGELES, March 8.—The judge has ordered a verdict against Anita Trumbull who sued for her daughter's share of the Baldwin estate.

ABE AT WORK. SAN QUENTIN, Cal., March 8.—Abe Ruef is working in the prison jute mill.

MORNING CABLE REPORT.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—It is believed here that the mobilization of troops, the largest in this country since the Spanish war, is due to a notification from Ambassador Bryce that, unless the American government takes immediate steps to protect foreign interests in Mexico, Great Britain and Germany will feel compelled to act. All officials are avoiding reporters and General Wood escaped a party of them through a rear window of the White House. The maneuver theory to account for the rush of troops is not accepted, as the maneuver fund is exhausted.

BOSTON, March 8.—Rear-Admiral Fremont, U. S. N., son of John C. Fremont, is dead.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 8.—Abe Ruef entered the penitentiary yesterday as convict 24,911. He is at work in the jute mill.

LOS ANGELES, March 8.—Rear-Admiral Cone, U. S. N., addressed the Navy League convention in favor of the use of oil fuel for warships.

CHOLERA SITUATION

Cholera Cases to Date.....23
Cholera Deaths to Date.....19
Suspects.....1
Relatives and other contacts in quarantine (about).....50

In six days now there has been no new source of contagion developed in the cholera situation.

The latest death was that of a Portuguese girl of 18 months, near Cyrus Green's place on Lugo street, but it cannot at this time be said whether or not death was due to cholera. A verdict awaits the result of an examination of the culture.

Evelyn Malkai still lives. She is in quarantine, where there are about 50 contacts being taken care of, the cases of suspicious sickness, of course, being kept separate from those who are in quarantine merely because they were contacts with cholera cases.

In Mary Ann Perry Malkai's family there have been six cases of cholera, including four deaths, two babies, one girl of sixteen years, and their grandmother. Those still living with the disease, or supposed to have the disease, are Evelyn, 18, and a boy. Evelyn was taken to quarantine March 4, and was taken sick March 6. Dr. Wayson is attending her. The grandmother, Mary Hoolapa Keala, 65, went into quarantine March 4, and died yesterday morning at 8:20, having been sick just one day. The boy's case is the last.

The authorities believe the situation is improving.

NEW MILLINERY AT SACHS.

At the Spring display of Eastern Millinery at Sachs' all the very latest styles and shapes are being shown. While every hat is an exquisite creation the prices are moderate.

NEW RICE MILL.

The K. Yamamoto Rice Mill is the largest as well as the finest in the islands. All machinery is of the very latest pattern. The famous Tengu Rice is cleaned at this mill. With the large cleaning capacity they are able to handle considerable outside particular work which they guarantee.

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